



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower
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APC 100

**NON-TITLE V PERMIT APPLICATION
FACILITY IDENTIFICATION**

Type or print and submit. Attach appropriate source description forms.

SITE INFORMATION

1. Organization's legal name and SOS control number [as registered with the TN Secretary of State (SOS)]

Sterilization Services of Tennessee - SOS# 029-949

2. Site name (if different from legal name)

Sterilization Services of Tennessee - Plant 2

3. Is a construction permit application fee being submitted? Yes ☒ No ☐

(see instructions for appropriate fee to submit)

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4. Site address (St./Rd./Hwy.)

4140 B. F. Goodrich Boulevard, Suite 200

County name

Shelby

City

Memphis

Zip code

38118

5. NAICS or SIC code

6. Site location

(in lat. /long.)

Latitude

35 deg, 02 min, 04 sec

Longitude

89 deg, 55 min, 09 sec

CONTACT INFORMATION (RESPONSIBLE PERSON)

7. Responsible person/Authorized contact

Timothy Connor

Phone number with area code

804-929-5422

Mailing address (St./Rd./Hwy.)

5674 Eastport Blvd

Fax number with area code

804-236-2497

City

Richmond

State

VA

Zip code

23231

Email address

dconnor@sterilization-services.com

CONTACT INFORMATION (TECHNICAL)

8. Principal technical contact

Steven Siler

Phone number with area code

847-420-4054 (mobile)

Mailing address (St./Rd./Hwy.)

350 Barclay Blvd

Fax number with area code

847-634-2627

City

Lincolnshire

State

IL

Zip code

60069

Email address

ssiler@altaircorp.net

CONTACT INFORMATION (BILLING)

9. Billing contact

Gaary Tracy

Phone number with area code

847-634-9540 extension 104

Mailing address (St./Rd./Hwy.)

350 Barclay Blvd

Fax number with area code

847-634-2627

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AIR CONTAMINANT SOURCE(S) INFORMATION

10. Description of air contaminant source(s) and Unique Source ID(s). List, identify, and briefly describe process emission sources, fuel burning installations, and incinerators that are contained in this application and include a Unique Source ID for each source. The Unique Source ID is a name/number/letter, which uniquely identifies the air contaminant source(s), like Boiler #1, Paint Line #1, Engine #1, etc. (see instructions for more details)

See Attachment A - Ethylene Oxide Gas Sterilization Process Description

See Attachment B - Block Diagram with Ethylene Oxide Rates

CH1 - Sterilization Chamber 1

CH2 - Sterilization Chamber 2

CH3 - Sterilization Chamber 3

CH4 - Sterilization Chamber 4

CH5 - Sterilization Chamber 5

AR1 - Aeration Room 1

AR2 - Aeration Room 2

AR3 - Aeration Room 3

AR4 - Aeration Room 4

11. Is the air contaminant source(s) in a nonattainment area? If "Yes", then minor source BACT must be addressed. Yes No

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12. Normal operation:	Hours/Day 24	Days/Week 7	Weeks/Year 50	Days/Year 350
13. Percent annual throughput	Dec. – Feb. 25	March – May 25	June – August 25	Sept. – Nov. 25

TYPE OF PERMIT REQUESTED (check appropriate box)

14. Operating permit <input type="checkbox"/>	Date construction started	Date completed	Date of ownership change (if applicable)
	Last permit number(s)		Emission Source Reference Number(s)
Construction permit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Last permit number(s)		Emission Source Reference Number(s)

If you chose Construction permit above, then choose either New Construction, Modification, or Location Transfer

New Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Starting date 10/1/2019 - Expected	Completion date 11/1/2020 - Expected
Modification <input type="checkbox"/>	Date modification started or will start	Date completed or will complete
Location Transfer <input type="checkbox"/>	Transfer date	Address of last location

15. Describe changes that have been made to this equipment or operation(s) since the last construction or operating permit application:

New construction

16. Comments

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17. Signature (application must be signed before it will be processed)

Steven Siler

Digitally signed by Steven Siler
Date: 2019.06.25 14:01:47 -05'00'

Date

6/25/2019

Signer's name (type or print)

Steven Siler

Title

COO

Phone number with area code

847-4204054



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2. Unique Source ID (name/number/letter which uniquely identifies this air contaminant source, like Boiler #1)					
3. Unique Emission Point ID (name/number/letter which uniquely identifies this emission point, like Stack #1) EP1 - Scrubber Stack #1					
4. Brief description of air contaminant source (Attach a diagram if appropriate): See attachment B - EO gas removed from the chambers is vented to wet acid scrubber whose output is further vented to a dry bed reactor. The output of the dry bed reactor is vented to EP1 - Scrubber Stack #1					
5. Emission point location	Latitude 35 deg, 02 min, 04 sec	Longitude 89 deg, 55 min, 09 sec	6. Distance to nearest property line (Ft.) not yet known but approximately 200 ft		
STACK AND EMISSION DATA					
7. Stack or emission point data: →	Height above grade (Ft.) 75	Diameter (Ft.) 0.5	Temperature (°F) 75	% of time over 125°F 0	Direction of exit (Up, down or horizontal) Up
Data at exit conditions: →	Flow (actual Ft. ³ /Min.) 150 expected	Velocity (Ft. /Sec.) 150 expected	Moisture (Grains/Ft. ³) not yet known		Moisture (Percent) not yet known
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9. Control device. Description of proposed monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting to assure compliance with emission limits. Include operating parameters of control device (flow rate, temperature, pressure drop, etc.). glycol concentration scrubbing liquor level pH tower temperature reactor tank temperature dry bed temperature					

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Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)			***					
Carbon monoxide (CO)			PPM					
Volatile organic compounds (VOC)			PPM					
Nitrogen oxides (NO _x)			PPM					
Hydrogen fluoride (HF)								
Hydrogen chloride (HCl)								
Lead (Pb)								
Greenhouse gases (CO ₂ equivalents)								
Hazardous air pollutant (specify) ethylene oxide	0.01	0.03		0.04	0.12	2	002	99+
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3. Unique Emission Point ID (name/number/letter which uniquely identifies this emission point, like Stack #1) EP2- Dry Bed Reactor Stack #2					
4. Brief description of air contaminant source (Attach a diagram if appropriate): See attachment B - EO gas removed from the chambers is vented to wet acid scrubber whose output is further vented to a dry bed reactor. The output of the dry bed reactor is vented to EP1 - Scrubber Stack #1					
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Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)			***					
Carbon monoxide (CO)			PPM					
Volatile organic compounds (VOC)			PPM					
Nitrogen oxides (NO _x)			PPM					
Hydrogen fluoride (HF)								
Hydrogen chloride (HCl)								
Lead (Pb)								
Greenhouse gases (CO ₂ equivalents)								
Hazardous air pollutant (specify) ethylene oxide	0.005	0.015		0.02	0.06	2	051	99
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Hydrogen fluoride (HF)								
Hydrogen chloride (HCl)								
Lead (Pb)								
Greenhouse gases (CO ₂ equivalents)								
Hazardous air pollutant (specify) ethylene oxide	0.005	0.015		0.02	0.06	2	051	99
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Lead (Pb)								
Greenhouse gases (CO ₂ equivalents)								
Hazardous air pollutant (specify) ethylene oxide	0.001	0.003		0.004	0.012	2	051	99
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- *** Exit gas sulfur dioxide concentrations units: Process – PPM by volume, dry bases, and boilers – Lbs. /Million BTU heat input

Attachment A

Ethylene Oxide Gas Sterilization Process Description

The gas sterilization process introduces Ethylene Oxide (EtO) gas, under vacuum, into a sealed chamber that contains packaged products to be sterilized. The products are typically pre-humidified, generally at elevated temperatures, prior to the introduction of EtO into the evacuated chamber. The products to be sterilized are enclosed in gas permeable packaging and are exposed to the EtO for controlled periods of time that are known to destroy any biological contaminants that may have become part of the product or product packaging. A graphical depiction indicating the flow of EtO in a typical gas sterilization process is shown below in Figure 1. Arrows indicate the flow or movement of EtO through the process. The numbers refer to the descriptive content on the following pages.

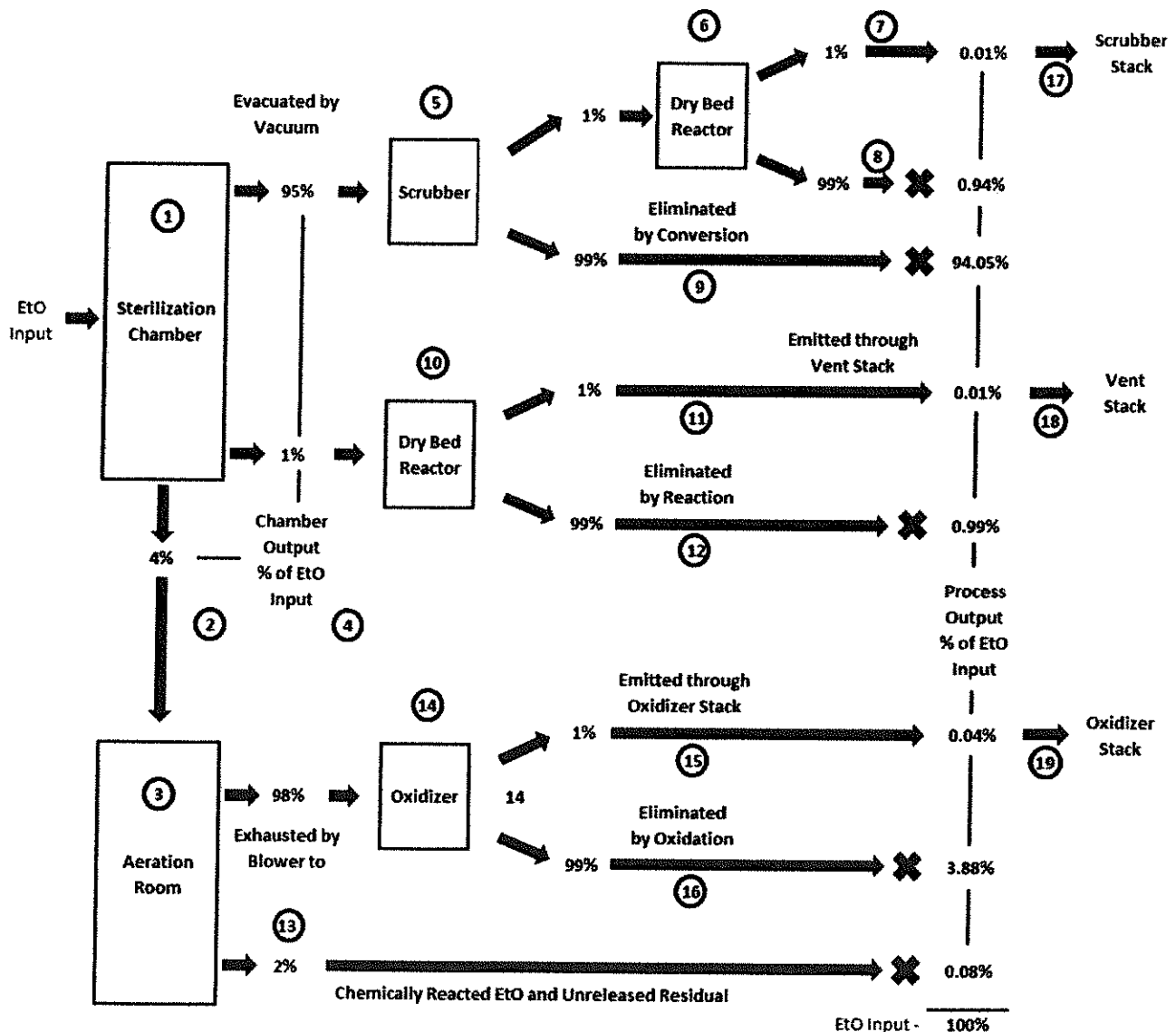


Figure 1 –Ethylene Oxide Gas Sterilization Process

EtO Sterilization

1. Product to be sterilized is loaded into the sterilization chamber. The chamber is evacuated and EtO is introduced into the chamber. Some of the EtO is absorbed by the product or packaging. Most of the EtO is continuously recirculated in the chamber open space. By the end of the sterilization process most of the EtO has been evacuated from the chamber.
2. After the sterilization process is completed, product is removed from the sterilization chamber and transported to aeration rooms.
3. In the aeration room, air is continuously recirculated around the product as it continues to outgas absorbed EtO.
4. Experience indicates that typically no more than 4% of the EtO used is carried with the sterilized product into the aeration room. Typically, at least 95% of the EtO used is evacuated from the chamber to a scrubber during the sterilization process. The rest of the EtO used, typically no more than 1%, remains in the chamber and is vented through a dry bed reactor.

EtO Scrubbing

5. Ethylene Oxide gas that is evacuated from the chamber is sent to a liquid scrubber. The scrubber mixes the EtO with an acid/water solution. This converts the EtO gas to liquid Ethylene Glycol. The scrubbing process is designed to be at least 99% efficient in converting the EtO gas to Ethylene Glycol.
6. No more than 1% of the EtO gas processed by the scrubber is vented to a dry bed reactor.
7. No more than 1% of the EtO gas vented to the dry bed reactor is emitted to the atmosphere through the scrubber stack.
8. At least 99% of the EtO gas vented to the dry bed reactor is eliminated through a reaction that converts the gas to a disposable polymer
9. At least 99% of the EtO gas processed by the scrubber is eliminated through conversion to Ethylene Glycol.

EtO Ventilation

10. The relatively small amount of EtO left in the chamber after sterilization, already stated as typically not more than 1%, is vented to a dry bed reactor.
11. No more than 1% of the EtO processed by the dry bed reactor is emitted to the atmosphere through the vent stack.
12. At least 99% of the EtO gas processed by the dry bed reactor is eliminated through a reaction that converts the gas to a disposable polymer.

EtO Oxidation

13. Product outgassing of EtO continues in the aeration room. Air is continuously recirculated around the sterilized product. A portion of the recirculating air, containing outgassed EtO, is continuously removed from the aeration room by exhaust blowers. Studies and experience suggest that about 98% of the residual EtO carried in the product and packaging is released during the aeration process and is processed by an oxidizer. Typically, this results in less than 2% remaining in the sterilized product as chemically reacted or unreleased residual EtO.

14. Ethylene oxide gas that is exhausted from the aeration room is vented to a thermal oxidizer. The thermal oxidizer is designed to be at least 99% efficient in eliminating EtO gas through combustion.
15. No more than 1% of the EtO gas processed by the oxidizer is emitted to the atmosphere through the oxidizer stack.
16. At least 99% of the EtO gas processed by the oxidizer is eliminated through the oxidation process.

EtO Emissions

17. Typically, about 0.95% of the EtO used by the process is emitted through the Scrubber Stack. This is calculated as no more than 1% (after scrubbing) of 95% (after sterilizing) of the EtO used in the sterilization process.
18. Typically, about 0.01% of the EtO used by the process is emitted through the Vent Stack. This is calculated as no more than 1% (after reaction) of 1% (after sterilizing) of the EtO gas used in the sterilizing process.
19. Typically, about 0.04% of the EtO used by the process is emitted through the Oxidizer Stack. This is calculated as no more than 1% (after oxidizing) of 98% (after aeration) of 4% (after sterilization) of the EtO used in the sterilization process.

Attachment B
Block Diagram with Ethylene Oxide Rates

